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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**TERMINO AVENUE DRAIN
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Interim Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute a supplemental agreement to Agreement No. 12684 with EDAW, Inc., for additional Environmental Impact Report preparation services for the Termino Avenue Drain project. The supplemental agreement will be for a total not-to-exceed fee of \$53,781 to be financed by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District Budget.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On May 20, 2003, your Board approved the award of a Consultant Services Agreement with EDAW, Inc., to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Termino Avenue Drain for a total fee not to exceed \$339,700. The proposed Termino Avenue Drain tentatively consisted of an underground storm drain located in Termino Avenue, Redondo Boulevard, Bennett Avenue, and in the former Pacific Electric right of way; an outlet structure to discharge flow into Colorado Lagoon; and a low-flow bypass line which would discharge into nearby Marine Stadium. However, preliminary work on the EIR, including input from the environmental regulatory agencies which will have jurisdiction over the project, and input from two public scoping meetings have identified

Marine Stadium as possibly the preferred outlet for the storm drain, instead of Colorado Lagoon. This significant change in project alignment is beyond the scope of EDAW's original proposal, and to fully analyze the potential impacts, additional technical studies are required to complete the draft EIR. The additional work includes Marine Biological, Eel Grass, and Sensitive Bird Surveys; an inspection of the tidal culvert connecting Colorado lagoon with Marine Stadium; and Sediment Sampling in Marine Stadium. Your Board's approval of this supplemental agreement is necessary to conduct the additional studies.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness because the expertise and experience to perform the required services are not currently available at Public Works.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund. Sufficient funds for the proposed supplemental agreement are available from the Fiscal Year 2004-05 Flood Fund budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard supplemental agreement, previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included. The effective date of the supplemental agreement will be established following your Board's approval.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the supplemental agreement stating that the consultant shall notify its employees, and shall require each subconsultant to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. The supplemental agreement also contains provisions requiring the consultant to comply with the Safely Surrendered Baby Law.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration of contract award, EDAW, Inc. is willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence participants for future employment.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

A finding of environmental impact is not required for this supplemental agreement for preparation of an environmental document.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On December 9, 2002, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals to 46 firms for consultant services for the project and listed the Request for Proposal on the County's bid website. Four firms responded to the Request for Proposal. An Evaluation Committee, consisting of Public Works staff, evaluated the proposals. The evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements, and was completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on the review and evaluation of these proposals, the Evaluation Committee chose EDAW, Inc., as the best qualified firm to perform the required services and negotiated a fee of \$339,700 for the original agreement. Subsequent to the determination that work not anticipated in the original agreement was required, EDAW, Inc. submitted a proposal for the required additional tasks in the amount of \$53,781. We have reviewed the proposal and found it to be reasonable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The project will not have a significant impact on current services or projects currently planned.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Interim Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office, County Counsel